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H. R. 2832

To direct the Secretary of Commerce to continue to operate the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 10, 2025

Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas (for herself, Ms. McBRIDE, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. AMO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Defend American Man-
5 ufacturing Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONTINUATION OF HOLLINGS MANUFACTURING**
7 **EXTENSION PARTNERSHIP.**

8 In fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter,
9 unless Congress fails to enact into law appropriations for

1 that fiscal year under the heading “Department of Com-
2 merce—National Institute of Standards and Tech-
3 nology—Industrial Technology Services” for the Hollings
4 Manufacturing Extension Partnership pursuant to section
5 25 of the National Institute of Standards and Technology
6 Act (15 U.S.C. 278K), the Secretary of Commerce, acting
7 through the Director of the National Institute of Stand-
8 ards and Technology, shall compete, renew, and award
9 centers in all 50 States and Puerto Rico pursuant to sec-
10 tion 25 of the National Institute of Standards and Tech-
11 nology Act (15 U.S.C. 278K), subject to the terms and
12 conditions of such section 25.

13 **SEC. 3. AMENDMENT TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF**
14 **STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY ACT.**

15 Paragraph (e)(1) of section 25 of the National Insti-
16 tute of Standards and Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 278K)
17 is amended striking “may” and inserting “shall”.

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